John Vlissides' biases

- Incremental progress over breakthroughs
 - lots of little synergies
- Can't divorce
 - in-large & in-small programming
 - specification, design, & implementation
- Outside examples
 - "co-design," "concurrent engineering," "platform teams," ...



Language advancements

- Expressiveness
 - mechanisms, idioms, sep of concerns
- Transparency
 - location/platform-indep, semiauto customization
- Adaptability
 - reflection, BCA
- Robustness
 - adv exceptions, asserts/constraints, built-in testability



- Becomes a discipline
 - literature, standards, accountability

- Patterns as literature
 - managing their explosion
 - integration into process



Development tools

- Advanced environments
 - slicing, concurrency/distrib savvy, code customization, refactoring, collaboration
- Modeling & simulation
 - behavior, trade time/accuracy, estimation
- Run-time analysis
 - visualization, trace-driven optimization, code partitioning

Summary

- Incremental advances in prog langs
 - new mechs + institutionalization of idiomatic code
 - most new capabilities are in libraries
- Fundamental advances in dev tools
 - collaborative support, run-time analysis
 - design-driven tools
- Greatest advances in software arch & design
 - emerging discipline
 - greatest potential leverage